

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S727–S752

Measures Introduced: Forty-nine bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 726–774, S. Res. 101–104, and S. Con. Res. 5–6. **Pages S741–44**

Measures Reported:

S. 509, to provide resources for United States nationals unlawfully or wrongfully detained abroad.

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Measures Passed:

Moving Americans Privacy Protection Act: Senate passed S. 758, to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to protect personally identifiable information.

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National Slam the Scam Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 101, designating March 9, 2023, as “National Slam the Scam Day” to raise awareness about pervasive government imposter scams, and to promote education to prevent government imposter scams.

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100th Anniversary of the Birth of John Leslie “Wes” Montgomery: Senate agreed to S. Res. 102, observing the 100th anniversary of the birth of John Leslie “Wes” Montgomery and commemorating his contributions to jazz music.

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Appointments:

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Secretary of the Senate, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: Tanya Marshall of Vermont. **Page S750**

Neiman Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Brent Neiman, of Illinois, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, March 9, 2023, a vote on

cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14, 2023.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination at approximately 3 p.m., on Tuesday, March 14, 2023; and that the motions to invoke cloture filed on Thursday, March 9, 2023 ripen at 5:30 p.m.

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Garcetti Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Eric M. Garcetti, of California, to be Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of India.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Brent Neiman, of Illinois, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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Chaudhary Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Ravi Chaudhary, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Eric M. Garcetti, of California, to be Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of India.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S736**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S736**

Taylor-Kale Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Laura Taylor-Kale, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense. **Pages S736–37**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Ravi Chaudhary, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force. **Pages S736–37**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S736**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 54 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 50), Daniel I. Werfel, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue for the term expiring November 12, 2027. **Pages S733–34**

By 51 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 51), James Edward Simmons, Jr., of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California. **Page S734**

By 51 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 52), Maria Araujo Kahn, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit. **Pages S734–35**

Messages from the House: **Page S741**

Measures Referred: **Page S741**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—52) **Pages S734–35**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:48 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, March 10, 2023. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S751.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine United States Strategic Command and United States Space Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2024 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from General Anthony J. Cotton, USAF, Commander, United States Strategic Command, and General James H. Dickinson, USA, Commander, United States Space Command, both of the Department of Defense.

NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nuclear fuel cycle, after receiving testimony from Kathryn Huff, Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy, and John C. Wagner, Laboratory Director, Idaho National Laboratory, both of the Department of Energy; and Joseph Dominguez, Constellation Energy, Baltimore, Maryland.

NORFOLK SOUTHERN TRAIN DERAILMENT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine protecting public health and the environment in the wake of the Norfolk Southern train derailment and chemical release in East Palestine, Ohio, after receiving testimony from Senators Brown, Vance, and Casey; Debra Shore, Regional Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Anne Vogel, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Director, Columbus; Alan Shaw, Norfolk Southern Corporation, Atlanta, Georgia; Richard B. Harrison, Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission, Cincinnati; and Eric J. Brewer, Beaver County, Beaver, Pennsylvania.

USAID LOCALIZATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development concluded a hearing to examine USAID localization, focusing on challenges, opportunities, and next steps to further development initiatives on the local level, after receiving testimony from Michele Sumilas, Assistant to the Administrator for the Bureau for Policy, Planning, and Learning, U.S. Agency for International Development; William R. Steiger, George W. Bush Institute, and Elana Aquino, Peace Direct, both of Washington, D.C.; and Bill O'Keefe, Catholic Relief Services, Baltimore, Maryland.